REMARKS

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action dated September 2, 2003, having a shortened statutory period set to expire December 2, 2003. Claims 5 and 7 are pending. Applicants have amended claim 5 and 7 and canceled claims 1-2, 6, and 8.

Claim Amendments

Claims 5 has been amended to incorporate the steps of claim 1 and the limitation of claim 6. Claim 7 has been amended to incorporate the steps of claim 2 and the limitation of claim 8. No new matter has been entered by these amendments.

Claim Rejections -- 35 U.S.C. § 103

In section 3 of the present Office Action, claims 1-2, and 5-8 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a), as being unpatentable over *Logue et al.*, U.S. Patent No. 5,935,207 (hereinafter "Logue") in view of Katz et al., U.S. Patent No. 5,926,624 (hereinafter "Katz"). This rejection is respectfully traversed and reconsideration of claims is requested.

On page 3 of the present Office Action, it is argued that Logue discloses at column 5, lines 56-60 and 65-67 a server having a remotely logged client table for identifying where the file has been forwarded. However, Logue describes saving detailed information about a document retrieved from a database, but nothing within column 5 describes any information regarding a forwarded document or identifying that a file has been forwarded. Further, nothing within column 5 describes storing information regarding whom a file is forwarded to.

The present invention provides a significant advantage of maintaining information regarding the location and identity of clients maintaining a copy of the sourced document. This mechanism provides coherency between the home server, the remote server and client. Such database information is not maintained in the system disclosed by *Logue*, nor are the advantages of maintaining this information suggested. Consequently, Applicants respectfully submit that the present invention as claimed in Claims 5 and 7 is not shown or suggested in the prior art, and the present rejection should be reconsidered.

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